



The Newsletter of the High Country, Tolland Massachusetts

The Tolland Tattler

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Tolland Zoning Bylaw Approved by Massachusetts Attorney General and is now in Effect

A revised Zoning Bylaw that was approved at a Town Meeting November 15, 2005 has been approved by the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

The Zoning Bylaw of November 15, 2005 is now in effect for all applications for building and permits in the Town of Tolland. MA.

A copy of the Bylaw is available from the Tolland Town Clerk at the Town Hall during normal business hours.

Electronic copies are available at no cost online in pdf format at www.tolland-ma.gov on the Planning Board page, and on the Board of Selectmen's and Town Clerk's page in the listing of all Tolland Bylaws.

Tolland Public Library

Ice cream is a success at the Library. After a brief meltdown, the Library is back up and running with ice cream treats for all ages. Come in on Monday or Thursday afternoons for 50 cent treats. If you are 13 or younger and you check out a book, you can get your treat for just 25 cents. Read eight books before Labor Day and get a certificate for a small cone at the Gran-Val Scoop. It is that simple and sweet.

New books...

- Dispatches from the Edge by Anderson Cooper
- Inkspell by Cornelia Funke
- The Book of the Dead by Douglas Preston & Lincoln Child
- Beach Road by James Patterson
- The Husband by Dean Koontz
- I guess you'll just have to come in to see the rest.

Don't forget our special event on August 10th at 2:00. Storytellers Davis Bates and Roger Tincknell will be performing. We will be on the green under the big tree if the weather is nice. Rain space will be the large meeting room at the Town Hall.

Hope to see you there.



Town Hall closed and locked for audit week of August 21st.

2006 Granville Harvest Fair

Columbus Day Weekend

Applications are now available for artists and craftsmen to apply for booth space at the 25th Annual Harvest Fair, Columbus Day Weekend, October 7 ,8, and 9, 2006.

The following Granville organizations may be contacted by sending a stamped self-addressed envelope with your request to:

- Federated Church - c/o Jenny Maceyka, 173 South Lane
 - Old Meeting House - c/o Coralie Stevenson, P.O. Box 193
 - Town Green - c/o Linda Blakesley, 397 Main Road
 - Town Library - c/o Nancy Petersen, P.O. Box 222
 - Village School - c/o Sharon Goode, 552 South Lane
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Reggae on the Granville Green

Free concert

on Saturday, August 5th
from 7:00 to 10:00.

Bring a picnic, a cooler and your
dancing shoes, or your bare feet.
Plan to lively up yourself and party down!

*Sponsored by the Granville Cultural Commission, the Granville/Tolland Lions Club
and Bob Rahn and Park Square Realty.*

LOBSTER SUPPER TO BENEFIT YANNER PARK

Saturday, August 19th
5 - 7 p.m.

The Friends of Yanner Park will host a lobster dinner on Saturday, August 19th from 5pm-7pm at Firehouse No. 2 on Route 57 in Sandisfield. For \$17 (\$30 for twin lobsters), diners will feast on fresh Maine lobster, corn on the cob, salad, coleslaw, cake and coffee. A steak dinner will also be available for those who don't eat lobster. Proceeds from the dinner will be used to create a park on the 250-acre parcel of land donated to the town of Sandisfield by the late Jack Yanner. Reservations are required in advance by calling (413) 258-4904 or sending an email to xxtramk-tg@aol.com. For more information, visit www.yannerpark.org <<http://www.yannerpark.org>> .

Fire Department News



The meetings/drills for the month of August are the following Tuesday nights: August 8th and August 22nd from 7:00p.m. until 10:00 p.m. Anyone who wishes to stop by the fire department during this time, please feel free to do so.

The Fire Department has a new address. Please send any correspondence or donations to 162A Colebrook River Rd., Tolland, MA 01034. Any checks should be made out to Tolland Volunteer Fire Department.

We are looking for a donation of a trailer and a 5 - 9 hp motor for our Rescue Boat. The Rescue Boat is a 12' John Boat and was donated to us. We recently received an electric motor. Many thanks for this donation from the Tolland Volunteer Fire Department.

Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer firefighter or first responder, please call me at my office at 258-2859 or at my home at 258-4094 or stop by during our meeting/drill nights.

Responses for the months of June and July:

June: 1 Medical Call

July: 2 Motor Vehicle Accident

7 Medical Calls

1 Mutual Aid - Granville

Have a fun and safe summer!

Chief Robert Littlefield, Sr.

Letters to the Editor,

On July 4th several of us from Tolland went to Granville Parade and Chicken BBQ and were very disappointed not to see the Tolland Fire Dept in the Parade. However, Tolland was represented by one very dirty Highway Dept. pick up truck. There were several people from Granville who made negative comments and we found it to be quite embarrassing. Our question for Tolland residents is where has your pride gone?

Steve & Elaine Strinie

Tolland's Bulky Waste Days for 2006

Bulky waste items will be accepted at the Tolland Transfer Station (Dump) on Colebrook River Road as follows:

- Saturday, November 25, 2006 from 12:00-3:00 pm
- Sunday, November 26, 2006 from 3:00- 5:00 pm

NOTE: During these times Solid Waste (trash) and recyclables will NOT be excepted...only bulky waste. Trash and recyclables must be dropped off at the Transfer Station during normal scheduled hours.

Fees:

- Large items: (mattresses, stoves, washers, couches, furniture etc.) - \$20 per item.*
- Medium sized items: (about the size of your recycling container) 10.00 per item *
- Small items: (smaller than a recycling container) \$1 to \$5 per item*
- Final prices for Bulky Waste will be determined by Transfer Station attendant.

*Cash is not accepted at the transfer station. Please make checks out to the Town of Tolland.

Tolland COA

Tolland 2006 Summer Yoga Classes Continue:

The Tolland Council on Aging Summer Gentle Yoga Class for seniors continues on Tuesdays from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. at the Tolland Town Hall. Seniors from Granville and other towns, and persons of any age, not just seniors, are also welcome to attend. A \$1.00 donation or Tolland seniors and \$2.00 for all others is requested. The classes will be held for about 12 weeks which means there will be several September classes. New persons are welcome to any class.

The course, taught by Sally Barber of the Westfield Yoga Center, is open to persons of all abilities and can also accommodate persons with disabilities: it is not necessary to get down on the floor to take this class. Bringing a mat, if you plan to use it, a blanket, and a small pillow will be helpful. Call Gert McKay, COA Chairperson, at 413-258-3336 or Elethea Goodkin, Regional COA Coordinator, at 413-562-1095 for more information. Yoga is a great way to stretch and strengthen muscles and improve balance and fitness. We hope to see you there this summer!

Wildwood Tag Sale

Wildwood residents are having a tag sale in the ball field on Beetle ROAD Tolland on:

Saturday August 26th 9-1 pm

RAIN DATE: Sunday August 27th 9-1 pm

There SHOULD BE Some thing for everyone.

Granville Tolland Citizens' Scholarship Foundation

2006-'07 Scholarship Funds Available To Date

With thanks to all!

Category	Amount
DFS Workshop Award	\$ 500.
Black Fly Day '05 Proceeds	\$ 1,400.
'05 Income from Endowment	\$ 3,800.
'05 Rockathon	\$ 1,534.
'05 Harvest Fair	\$ 238.
'05-'06 Dress Down Days	\$ 540.
'06 Spring Phonathon & Mail Campaign	\$11,834
6/06 Gift from Granville Village. School	\$ 500.
 Total Income	 \$20,346.
Reserve 4% for expenses	\$ (800.)
Total Funds Available For '06-'07 Awards	\$19,546.

Our 2006 goal was to raise between \$16,000 and \$18,000. We've surpassed that by mid-year! Good work all! And sincere thanks to all our wonderful friends and neighbors from Granville and Tolland who contributed to make this possible.

Have you visited

www.tolland-ma.gov <<http://www.tolland-ma.gov>> ?

Are you on our email subscriber lists?

Tolland's official website continues to grow with more information, resources and forms and tools available to residents. Visit the site to see what's new. Subscribe to email lists of committee meeting minutes, online Tattler notification, Selectmen's minutes and news and notices. View the town calendar. See what's new. Find out about recreational opportunities, movies and other local interest sites on Useful Links. It's easy and it's convenient and free.

If you have any ideas for the website contact Gloria Gery at gloriagery@juno.com

Numbering Of All Houses, Businesses and Other Structures Bylaw

Town of Tolland, Massachusetts

House Numbers Required in 60 Days: Numbers of each dwelling and each business and other building in the Town of Tolland, shall be designated to the owner of such structures within (60) days after approval of this Bylaw by the Office of the Attorney General.

Tolland Street Numbering System: The numbers shall be those assigned in accordance with the Town of Tolland street numbering system.

Owner Responsibility: It shall be the responsibility of each property owner to obtain and install the number or numbers assigned to his affected structure or structures.

Certificate of Occupancy: The owner of any property seeking a building permit for a new building or structure shall apply for and receive a building number designation from the E-911 Coordinator. A Certificate of Occupancy will not be issued by the Building Inspector until a number is designated by E-911 Coordinator and installed by the property owner.

Reflective Numbers: Reflective numbers, visible from both sides, shall be placed where the driveway intersects the roadway. Reflective numbers to be no less than three (3) inches high.

Penalty for Violation of this Bylaw: In addition to any other legal remedies that may be available, Whoever violates any provision of this by-law, the violation of which is subject to specific penalty, may be penalized by non-criminal disposition as provided in Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 21D as amended in accordance with the penalty and fine schedule established in the Town of Tolland Bylaw.

Adopted at Special Town Meeting March 28, 2005

Approved by Massachusetts Attorney General on November 16, 2005

Found Articles Available at Tolland Library

Several articles were left at the Nature of Tolland pot luck supper on June 29th. All articles are available for pick up at the Tolland Public Library during normal Open Hours.

Articles include:

Beach towel (used to keep food item hot!)

Candle holders

Orange Serving Spoon

Miscellaneous stainless steel serving pieces

Update on Transfer Station/recycling

The information on the Transfer Station and Recycling has been entirely updated on the town website at www.tolland-ma.gov Updated recycling information is below for your convenience - Recycling is Mandatory

Both Massachusetts General Law on Recycling <<http://www.mass.gov/legis/laws/mgl/40-8h.htm>> and the Town of Tolland Recycling Bylaw <http://www.tollandma.gov/Public_Documents/TollandMA_Bylaws/MandatoryRecyclingBylaw_AGApproved_11-16-05.pdf> make recycling mandatory.

Recycling in Tolland

Between July 2005 and December 2005 Tolland produced 29 tons of recyclable bottles/cans and paper. Recycling has become more important with the PAYT program. Every item recycled is one more item that you don't have to pay to throw away. Every item recycled opens up more space in the compactor reducing solid waste hauling and tipping fees. It is important to know that recycling does cost the town in hauling fees but unlike solid waste there is no tipping fee involved. Tolland also receives a small amount of money back for taking part in a recycling program. It does pay to recycle!

Tolland has a bylaw supporting recycling. Please review what you throw away and see if you can increase your recycling, reduce your trash or reuse items. Save money for the town and your household at the same time. Tolland has two containers for recycling. One is for containers-plastic, glass, tin and aluminum. Another is for paper, junk mail and cardboard. For a small fee the transfer station also provides a shed for electronics and a place for propane tanks.

Paper

Acceptable for recycling: All paper and cardboard must be clean and dry. No wrapping paper.

- Junk mail including the plastic windows
- Newspapers/inserts
- Magazines/catalogs
- Paper bags
- White and colored office paper
- Computer paper
- Corrugated cardboard: flatten, remove tape and string
- Paperbacks and phone books: remove covers

Containers

Acceptable for recycling: Glass bottles/jars/cans

- *~only clear, green, brown glass
- *~less than 2 gallons
- *~lids, corks, neck rings etc are ok)
- *~Aluminum, tin/steel cans
- *~lids and labels are ok

Milk and juice cartons, drink boxes

- *~remove straws and caps, flatten

Plastic bottles, jars, tubs

- *~remove caps, lids, pumps and wraps
- *~labels and detergent spouts may be left on
- *~flatten if possible

Electronics

TV's, Computers, Radios, VCR's, DVD's etc. can be dropped off for a fee of \$10.00* each.

Propane Tanks

As of July 1, 2006 a fee of \$5.00* a tank will be charged. Tanks only 5 pounds or less accepted.

Batteries

Car Batteries will be accepted at a fee of \$5.00* each. Household Batteries should be thrown out in Tolland trash bags.

* *The Transfer Station does not accept cash. Make all checks out to the Town of Tolland.*

SANDISFIELD ARTS CENTER PRESENTS SINGER-SONGWRITER PATTY LARKIN

"An absolutely stunning guitarist, easily on a par with Bonnie Raitt, Larkin matches her instrumental chops as a vocalist and songwriter, making her a true triple-threat artist." - Billboard

"Patty Larkin transmits eccentric magic with taut, amused gems delivered in a rich alto. An uncommonly articulate guitarist, she has evolved into one of the finest self-accompanists anywhere in popular music." - Boston Globe

SANDISFIELD, MA - The Sandisfield Arts Center will present Singer-Songwriter and guitarist Patty Larkin on Saturday, August 19 at 8:00pm.

Patty is a rare combination of talents - a superlative singer, an accomplished songwriter and an extraordinary guitarist and multi-instrumentalist. Over her 10 CD history, she has honed a reputation as a "musician's musician", working with some of the brightest talents in American music. A favorite with both critics and fans, Patty is that unique level of artistic sophistication.

Her most recent solo release, *Red=Luck*, on Vanguard Records, showcases a world where Middle-Eastern flavored melodies collide with R&B, where joyous pop and somber reflection, playful eroticism and naked soul searching entwine.

In addition to her solo touring, Patty's newest performance project, the collaborative "La Guitara," has also been garnering critical praise. The brainchild of Patty Larkin and Bette Warner, "La Guitara" is a compilation of women guitarists from around the world, a melting pot of styles and genres that has been in the works for several years, that Patty has managed to squeeze in between solo appearances.

Patty's work has appeared in several feature films and has been covered by numerous other artists. After years of touring, she has amassed a number of awards in addition to accolades from Billboard, Rolling Stone, Vanity Fair and others. She was awarded an honorary doctorate from Berklee College of Music and has even been accorded her own "day" ("Patty Larkin Day") by the city of Boston.

Larkin is gratified by this attention, but her eye is on the bigger picture. Like many a master artist, she has made the brave decision to keep growing, to keep expanding, rather than to rest on her previous accomplishments. "I look at each new album as an art opening - where the visual artist must create a show that is cohesive and dynamic, one that reflects the time in which the work was made. I am inspired by change - it defines me, and it can be subtle or radical. It captures my imagination."

On display in the Sandisfield Arts Center Gallery will be paintings and prints by Michael Wolski. For more on this accomplished Berkshire artist (a resident of Becket) visit his website: www.michaelwolski.com.

The Sandisfield Arts Center is located on Hammertown Road off Route 57 in Sandisfield. Once a Baptist meeting house and orthodox synagogue, the historic 1839 building now serves as a non-profit community arts center known for its country charm and wonderful acoustics. Sandisfield is approximately 25 minutes east of Gt. Barrington, MA, north of Winsted, CT, and just south of Becket, MA. Tickets are \$25. For more information or reservations call (413) 258-4100 or visit www.sandisfieldartscenter.org.

Patrons are encouraged to bring non-perishable foods, and/or items of personal care (i.e. shampoo, soap, etc.) as donations to the People's Pantry food bank.

The Wednesday Night Club



Photos aken on Wednesday, July 5, of some members of the Wednesday Night Club.

The Wednesday Night Club, held in the Tolland Town Hall at 6:30, began last summer, and attendance has continued to grow.

Pat Pezzillo of Wildwood, , Sylvia Foster, Pat Johnson and Judy Sheehan of North Tolland are shown playing mah-jongg.



Barbara Fitzgerald of North Tolland, Sue Voudren of Tolland, and Sue Moore of Wildwood are shown playing Dominoes.

Other recent regular attendees are Jean Armitage and Alison Bucher who are learning to knit socks under the expert tutilage of Sue Moore.

Town Hall Hours:

- Mon. & Tues. - 8:00am to 4:00pm
- Wed. from 8:00am to 12pm

Assessor Clerk's hours : Monday 10am-4pm

Town Clerk hours: Monday 1 - 4pm

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
LIBRARY HOURS: Mon. 3:00pm - 8:30pm Thurs. 11:00am - 4:00pm Sat. 10:00am -12:00pm	1	2	3	4	5	9 - 11:00 am DUMP
6 3:00 - 7:00 pm DUMP	7	8 7:00-10:00pm Fire Dept. Mtg. / Drill	9 5-7:00pm DUMP	10	11	12 9 - 11:00 am DUMP
13 3:00 - 7:00 pm DUMP	14 5:00pm Selectmen	15 6:30pm Historical Soc.	16 5-7:00pm DUMP	17	18	19 9 - 11:00 am DUMP
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Town Hall closed and locked for audit during the week of August 21.						
3:00 - 7:00 pm DUMP		7:00-10:00pm Fire Dept. Mtg. / Drill	5-7:00pm DUMP			9 - 11:00 am DUMP
27 3:00 - 7:00 pm DUMP	28 5:00pm Selectmen	29 1:00pm Board of Assessors	30 5-7:00pm DUMP	31	Building Inspector will be meeting by appointment only. Appointments can be made by calling 258-4590.	

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